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Subject: Utah TCC Letter of Support for UETN's Response

Wireless Division of the FCC,

The Utah Technology Coordinators Council (UTCC), the statewide school district technology directors' organization here in Utah, has reviewed and is highly supportive of the Utah Education and Telehealth Network (UETN) response to the FCC proposed changes to the Educational Broadband Service (EBS) spectrum.

The EBS white space that is available in many of the rural areas of Utah can extend the school network allowing the high need students access to educational resources while at home and helps state organizations like UETN in efforts to fill broadband access gaps stemming from the regulatory/funding gaps that persist across programs such as the E-rate Universal Service Fund (USF). UETN, working with the Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to acquire EBS will make a tremendous difference in students' life and help extend broadband access to areas that likely remain unattractive to private investment.

An EBS based broadband network owned and operated by educational providers is paramount to overcoming the Digital Divide within the State.

Please consider the UETN comments and their response regarding how EBS can be effectively allocated and utilized for education equity and enhancement for our students.

Sincerely,

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